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It's official!

Mail-in ballots confirm no strike

By AAR KIRBY

The final results of a postal vote by the union confirm that there will be no strike.

The Ontario Labour Relations Board, which conducted a Feb. 18 vote by the city members of 24 Conestoga college, upheld performance and discipline in its majority accepting the college's final offer.

The confirmation came Feb. 23 after the board finished counting mail-in ballots.

The official results show 51.45 per cent voted to accept the offer resulting in a new contract.

The Union voted members could order a maximum of 1.75

and a post-employment pay rate over the six contract years.

Conestoga College president John Thibault said that a strike would hurt everyone.

"After the last vote, you come forward saying 'no,'" he said.

CHSII had a good number to reject the offer because it did not address more academic freedom or open up these areas.

Ted Montgomery chair of the CHSII negotiating team said in a press release that the union accepts the outcome.

However, he said there were an unusually high number of problems with the vote and

should be the college not taking a number of eligible votes, when requested, mail-in ballots from their colleges had not received them by mail voting, and problems have been identified and legal complaints have been filed.

He asked a majority of not one voted to accept the contract after because of loss of a strike action that was a consequence of the outcome.

With such a close result, there are no winners on this round," Montgomery said in the press release. "The union asked us to accept a majority for the strike. Our task now is to work to resolve the problems in the contract that the college failed to address this time."

Conestoga in growth mode with seven expansion projects

By AAR KIRBY

It is the biggest time in Conestoga's history.

That was the statement made by Conestoga College president John Thibault in a long reveal regarding the \$150-million worth of expansion projects currently planned or underway.

In a meeting with students, staff, and faculty, the president shared the details of the seven expansion projects Conestoga is currently working on, including a new building, a new library, and a new parking lot.

Thibault said the college is on the look for \$150 million for the projects and is going to have a fundraising drive to help fund these projects.

"To be successful, we are going to have to rely on the community," Thibault said.

The community's commitment should be able to see a steel structure across the 401 from Boom campus soon as construction starts on the new Conestoga campus, the largest of the projects.

Plans are also being laid out for the new building to be constructed at Boom campus off parking lot 10. The new

wing will house health, health care.

The new wings, proposed design, under the \$150-million worth of expansion projects, including a new building, a new library, and a new parking lot.

"It will allow for a hospital and a new building, a new library, and a new parking lot," Thibault said.

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The maintenance team have been working on the new building, a new library, and a new parking lot.

Construction of the new wing is expected to be a full year in April.

March.

These plans are building the future of the college, and we are going to have a new building, a new library, and a new parking lot.

The largest of the expansion projects will be a new building, a new library, and a new parking lot.

In the opposite direction, the campus will also have a new building, a new library, and a new parking lot.

Conestoga will also have a new building, a new library, and a new parking lot.

"These projects and new campus are going to make us a real powerhouse in this area," Thibault said.

FUNDRAISING FOR NAHS



Photo by AAR KIRBY

Gifts for the Conestoga and NaHS Foundation is a new and exciting initiative. Students, staff, and faculty are encouraged to donate to the fund to support the college's future.

JOKING AROUND WITH THE JOKER



Photo by AAR KIRBY

More than a year and a half after the release of The Dark Knight, the Joker still has a hold on the popular consciousness. Fans are still talking about the movie, and it's a great way to raise money for the college's future.

Now deep thoughts ... with Conestoga College

Random questions answered by random students

What would be your dream job
(other than the one you are studying for)?



"I'd be an actor."

Matthew Makenna,
first-year
journalism student

"A teacher for sure."

Maël Bouché,
first-year
police/investigation



"I'd like to be a truck driver."

Matt King,
second-year
business/information

"Major League Baseball."

Kurtis Fawcett,
second-year
business/information



"Any kind of sales/marketing."

Meghan Miller,
first-year
police/investigation

"I want to own either a
café or a bakery shop, or a
larger retail store."

Maureen Corbett,
second-year
business administration
accounting



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NO WATER WINGS NEEDED AT WATERLOO CAMPUS



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Two public plunges at Conestoga College's Island were more than \$7,000 for the Conestoga Cancer Society, the most ever Organized by Conestoga Students Inc., the events inspired students bringing the chilly weather to Conestoga, down into or cascaded into icy water at both campuses on Feb. 2 and at the Waterloo campus on Feb. 23. Above, Rick Gully, an event management student at the Waterloo campus, plunges into the pool prior to the big splashdown.

Respect campaign growing in popularity

By STEVE BELL

The Respect campaign at Conestoga College is becoming a hit with students.

During the fall 2007 semester more than 1,400 students viewed the Respect video through 68 different classroom presentations given at the Dean Waterloo and Guelph campuses. In comparison, 1,000 students viewed the video through the entire 2006-2007 academic year.

Our opportunity to share the video came mainly through word of mouth by students and faculty members said Ryan Connell, student life programmer at Conestoga College. "We have

also had a huge push by the business students this year."

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Respect – the understanding that we share a common community and a behaviour of civility that we all value.
– Respect campaign

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The Respect campaign aims to build and maintain a respectful atmosphere for everyone at the college.

Respect is defined as, "the understanding that we share a common community and a behaviour of civility that we all value." In addition to video presentations, the campaign organizes Respect Week in March, and uses a display booth throughout the year to promote the campaign.

In the 2006-2007 academic year, campaign organizers began to share the video presentations to 1,000 students.

"We want everyone to understand differences and approach them in a positive way," said Connell.

"Hopefully the message of the campaign will reach with students throughout their lives."

It's a once again



Canadian perspectives course benefits ESL students

By WILLIAM MCKENZIE

Students in the English as a Second Language program at Concordia College are the recipients of a unique perspective course, where they are placed in a career development unit as their Canadian perspectives class takes root.

The students completed extensive research on a career of interest and then conducted interviews with a professional in current situation of a teacher or program coordinator in the field.

"I enjoyed the unit to help students think creatively and professionally about their future after finishing level 4 in our program," said ESL coordinator, Rupa Beckett. "It is also a way to keep them motivated and focused on their studies and to help them understand the application and importance of their academic language skills to their future studies."

The unit helped students explore Canadian business culture and society as well as gain an understanding of career paths and career goals.

The projects developed by students were diverse and

included marketing, e-commerce, computer programming, software engineering and biotechnology.

Interviews were conducted with a number of college employees from publishing, food services, counselling and network administration.

McKenzie and high schools were visited by students as well as local businesses including Clear Lake College, Kesteven and Wilson as well as the K&L Multicultural Centre and Waterloo Regional Public Library.

"Students are thrilled by their assignments because they are filled with challenges and they are filled with confidence for having done a difficult and challenging job very well," said Beckett.

"Many students realize that their initial academic plans are realistic and doable and they look ahead with optimism. Others realize their original plans may need adjustment or change. All efforts are now focused and opportunities to explore."

"All students have created a network to access in the future and have created a valuable and personal project for life."



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A \$1000 cheque was presented to Ministerial Council Committee representative, Anna Bratukin by the MAF student chapter at Concordia College on Feb. 22.

Candy kabob fundraiser for Haiti a success

By BRADY FALCONER

All it took was 342 Valentine's Day kabobs and two days at Concordia College to raise \$700. The kabob fundraiser was held by Concordia student chapter of International Association of Administrative Professionals (IAAP) in a non-profit organization that provides opportunities for growth through education, community building and leadership development. The chapter donated \$500 of the proceeds to the Ministerial Council Committee for Haiti

relief efforts.

"We chose Haiti because of the suffering and devastation," said Candy Bradley, IAAP president. "Our goal was to make a difference – and we did."

The people of Haiti have been suffering since Jan. 12 after a 8.9 natural earthquake devastated the country. Over nine million disaster organizations such as Doctors Without Borders, the Canadian Red Cross and United Nations have been either working in the country or working here, raising money for the reconstruction of Haiti's facilities as well

as gathering food, water and shelter. The earthquake killed 21 Canadians with 55 still missing.

The chapter was presented on Feb. 11 to Anna Bratukin of the Ministerial Council Committee. The organization is a local charity that has been involved with Haiti relief efforts for the past 10 years.

"Our students think and appreciate to all who put forward kabobs," said Bradley. Money from the fundraiser will also be used for three scholarship-based awards for officer candidates in the students.

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Advisers from all over the world built ice sculptures for the 32nd Waterville Ice Sculpture competition hosted in Ottawa and Gatineau. The festival ran over the last week.

Ice art festival wows visitors

The 32nd Waterville came to its final last week with yet another year of great sculpture and positive reviews by visitors.

"I've been attending this event for the past maybe 10 years and the sculptures just

keep getting better every year," said Mark Ashton, a Saskatoon, Sask. resident.

Waterville's ice event, held in Ottawa and Gatineau every year during the first three weeks of February to celebrate Canada's unique

northern climate. The three-week event boasts both art and snow sculptures from artists around the world, along with many other activities for families including street shows and a fun park made entirely of snow.

Another popular event at the pond hockey tournament. The games takes place on Davis Lake and consist of a week-long tour on four pond hockey tournaments.

The festival is put on by the National Capital Commission

and it is estimated that about 1.5 million people attend each of the four sites each year. The festival started in the late '80s and has been a huge success, becoming an important part of the local tourism industry.



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IEPs invited to second annual Global Skills Conference

The second annual Global Skills Conference will be held this Thursday at Inverness Conference Centre, 425 Bayswater Centre Dr. in Kelowna.

This is a one-day, free conference for internationally educated professionals (IEPs). This year's theme, "Insight into Opportunity" focuses on providing IEPs from Waterloo Region and surrounding areas with resources and information on educational recognition, skill development, professional associations, networking and more.

Anyone interested can register online at www.global-skillsconference.com, space is limited. First come first served.

To ensure work participants are able to benefit from the conference and the information provided, organizers request

attendees that participants have a minimum of a LINC 4 English language level.

Following the conference, The Waterloo Region Immigration Employment Network (WRIMEN) will host a networking and recruiting event with employers for prospective IEPs between 8:30 a.m. and 5:30 p.m.

To register for the WRIMEN event, email info@waterlooregion.ca.

Conestoga College will offer a business resources workshop conference to small and medium-sized businesses. To register, visit www.collegepoint.ca/en/entrepreneurship.

For further information on any of the events, email Barbara Chappell at bchappell@conestoga.on.ca.

For updates on the conference, visit www.global-skillsconference.com.

Human bodies on display

By LUCY CHENEY

Preserved human bodies are on display at the Children's Museum on downtown Richmond.

No it's not Halliwell's war in the exhibit meant for children's parties.

The Anatomical Systems & Techniques Foundation in Hong Kong has commissioned 200 artists for the museum to explore real human organs in a travelling exhibit called One Bodies: The Unseen Within.

Angela Chan, marketing manager for the Children's Museum, said the museum since the Jan. 14 opening has been a rump.

"A lot of medical students have been through," she said. "They get a view into the body they don't usually get."

The exhibit begins with a timeline of how scientists have studied human anatomy, dating as far back as 1600 BC. Around a corner visitors come across two figures in the anatomical display.

One statue with a wild red mane, while the other statues have been flayed, along his forearm, legs, chest, back and head.

How are these pieces so perfectly preserved?

They are polymer preserved, which means the body's fluids were replaced with synthetic plastic. This process freezes the bodies, dried their organs, salted, preserved in when they were living.

A person stroll through a series of rooms that are part of death but are such in they can view the human body as never before. Continuous turned into plastic, a form shows every one a masterpiece of what were all put inside my skin.

In the same room a head in five positions, mostly steady to illustrate that one can make and replace brain teeth and a nose on the back of his neck.

There is a reproductive display, but among both male and female organs.

The respiratory display features a comparison of healthy lungs and a smoker's lungs, and at the end of the exhibit, there is a cardiovascular display. The veins and arteries observed in the wall are veins that have been dyed red or blue.

Just before exiting the exhibit, visitors are asked to write down their thoughts on a comment book.

Glenn van Nieuw, marketing and development co-ordinator for the museum, remembered one comment that made her smile.

"Someone wrote how they would never wonder about after seeing the preserved smoker's lungs," she said with a laugh.

One Bodies: The Unseen Within is to be on museum third large-scale exhibit. Last year they had the Andy Warhol's Factory and in 2008 they launched December.

The Remarkable World of Jean Dondel.



happened in an artistic pose, a color board depicts stages, finally ahead. The eyes are one of the few tissues not left in the polymer preserving process, as they are artificial.

Most recently, the museum had to take a pass on an expensive, yet artistically talented, exhibit because of lack of funds.

"It cost a whole lot to run these kinds of shows," Glenn explained.

In an effort to raise funds to keep the doors open, a Mad Hatter Museum in The Party is being hosted March 27, featuring a Lady Gaga impersonator.

"It is an event aimed at 10 something professionals," van Nieuw said. "Something fun, that will help us stay open."

One Bodies: The Unseen Within is on display until April 21. Tickets are for just ahead online at www.ChildrensMuseumRichmond.org.



PHOTO BY LUCY CHENEY

A young boy's body is used to show the inside of the torso and head. Every organ is dried and preserved. The tissues are dry and have no smell, though there are smells of every organ in that youth's my piece.

Student registration is required for this event

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Using a polymer-preserving technique, this man's muscles and skeleton are shown from the inside. The Children's Museum is proud to be displaying 200 pieces of human anatomy in the One Bodies exhibit.

Just another day saving lives



Firefighters at pondside Wednesday.

The firefighting, paramedics and nursing students continued for a job shadow on Feb. 26. The firefighters rescued a volunteer from the pond and transported him to the paramedics who checked the status of the person before sending him to the nursing students.

by JANELLE SCHNEIDER

Chapman College provides the opportunity to do real life training in the careers they hope to eventually work in. On Feb. 26 the firefighting, paramedics and nursing students continued to gain on their skills in a pond scenario.

The scenario started with the firefighter could not reach into a "victim" from the ice pond, who then hauled him over to paramedics students who checked him over and stabilized him before taking him to the hospital where the nursing students took over.

"As the paramedics finished we were required to treat our patient according to our coursework findings and our EMS (Basic Life Support) and ALS (Advanced Life Support) protocols," said Samantha Stevens to an crowd.

Stevens is a currently-year student in the primary care paramedic program.

"We were also required to take the patient to the hospital, and have the patient in running condition at the hospital, and give our assessment findings to the nursing students."

Stevens also volunteered to be one of the hypothermic patients and actually went

into the water.

The patients were taken away from the program involved other programs within the college, faculty members and even a grad student.

"I believe Feb. 26 was a great experience for everyone that was involved and it went very well," said Stevens.

Erin Kussman, a professor at the pre-service firefighter education and training program, valued Stevens' assessment of the day and said he expects these exercises because of past students a "greater sense of realism" it was an opportunity for all three programs to work together.

Kussman said they try to include that type of simulated training at least three times over the length of each program.

The next one will take place on March 5 and will involve a hazardous materials incident instead of a water rescue.

Although the day's cold weather and darkness were perfect, the conditions could have been improved if the snow had been more.

"If the ice in this area were realistic," said Kussman. Then the firefighting students would have had to deal with falling into the water themselves.



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Learn to enjoy the great outdoors in the winter

BY RIMMYE FARRINGER

If you love the outdoors and camping but stay indoors because of the cold, you may want to take a winter camping course. Students have about eight weeks to improve their hypothermia, frostbite, winter preparation and traveling in deep snow.

The Countango course is usually offered every winter. In addition to lectures, students participate in overnight winter backpacking/traveling experiences on weekends in Little Bear Wilderness near Hamilton. This winter course, which was held in February, ran 2010-11.

David Arango has been

teaching outdoor programs at several colleges including Hamilton College. Michael Rogers and Countango has more than 30 years. He also teaches programs to survivors and inmates in district school forests.

The mission of W&A survival school is to promote safety, outdoor management, equipment and navigation, develop team building skills and enhance health physically and spiritually. Every year it is estimated that hundreds of people in the wilderness.

When told about the winter camping seminar, most students thought it was a great idea.

"It is interesting because I never realized that there was

so much with people living in the wilderness. It would be used to see what to do if you're stuck in the wild," said Arango. Hamilton, a backpacking school.

The survival school teaches students that if they die, the

best majority could have been avoided if people were better educated. Instructors will teach you how to select and set up winter camping gear, clothing and footwear properly and pack the correct winter and food

equipment. For each time, appropriate.

Students have to plan to go to the winter camping site as well as provide their own food. Period anything is available.

COUNSELLOR'S CORNER: Problem Gambling

Internet, casino, video lottery terminals. Problem lottery tickets, the opportunities to gamble are everywhere. For many it feels like a harmless means of entertainment, but gambling becomes a problem when the behaviour begins to interfere with your family, personal or school life.

Question: Anonymous has a list of twenty questions to determine how gambling is affecting you. For example, how often do you go back to try to recuperate what you lost the day before? Have you claimed to win money that you really lost? Do you ever hide betting slips or lottery tickets from your family? After winning, do you have a strong urge to return and win more? These are just some indications that gambling is a problem in your life.

If you are worried that your level of gambling is no longer fun and you need help to stop, talk to a counsellor. Special community programs for people with gambling problems, as well as self-help groups are available in your area. Use other resources: problem gambling can destroy your life. Sadly, that's one thing you can bet on.

A Message from Counselling Services: SA101

KEEPING AN EYE ON THE WEATHER



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Students can be seen in Hamilton's winter clothing for winter and in the snow. For winter this week you can expect, winter forecasts show that every day with variable clouds from Wednesday to Saturday as well as a possibility of snow on Friday/Saturday.

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Comics crack clever jokes, looking for laughs

By Alex Cochrane

Walking through the Dean campus halls during the late-morning rush of students are many wonder if there is much room at the campus for comics.

However, over 3 p.m. rolls around the halls suddenly seem wider and more of foot so. This run is certainly no more every Wednesday between 7 and 10 p.m. the business Alex Dark is held. The evening lineup of various shows is supported by Cochrane Students for a lunchtime in celebration. R.J. Beckett who leads offering entertainment for the enjoyment of students. However live show up.

On Feb. 10 Students Alex Dark featured the comic stylings of Alex Private, Bob Beckett and Matt O'Brien, who travelled from Toronto to perform for areas of 20 people.

The strategy of the end was to encourage that the comic used to their urban tape, poking fun and degrading answers from them about their love lives and studies.

Our office in the students was accused of being all their comics he was eating with and a group of men were teased for sitting away in the

back of their classes.

At a night of about 300 people, students are given who sat at about 200 people, mostly by 21 students, mostly in the lights of the new of the room.

Looking to be a bit of a joke, the holding of 100 was introduced the other two comics after making a few friends of his own.

Private was hanging with things on stage as he carried and joked about some of his experiences living in Toronto and picking up a girlfriend in the Bronx parking lot on the way to the comic stage.

Beckett who had from Kitchener, was the last to take the stage. Somewhat lower live than Private, Beckett joked with his fellow students and kept things from everyone.

All three comics are featured on the Feb. 10 as members of SRAA comics.

Beckett was hoping for a few more students to talk on for the comic held in the Studentary.

"We asked the students what they wanted Beckett said. He added that some of the GSI will be reviewing the success of the Studentary Alex Dark wants to determine if there is enough interest to continue the entertainment lineup.



PHOTO BY ALEX COCHRANE

Students Alex Dark featured three comics on Feb. 10. They were clockwise from left, Matt O'Brien, Alex Private and Bob Beckett.



FROZEN FALLS CREATE WINTER WONDERLAND



PHOTO BY ALEX COCHRANE

The fall of Elora Gorge conservancy area have frozen over this winter. The Grand River falls through the gorge, where the 22-metre high falls. Riverside trails (with safety barriers), and some footpaths provide hikers with stunning views of the water fall below where, at the spring and summer, hikers and swimmers enjoy their way through the rapids. Gorge is available starting May 1. To receive past info, go to www.parks.gov.on.ca

New theatre coming

By Alex Cochrane

Waterloo is getting another large multi-screen movie theatre. The new multiplex will be built by Empire Theatres, a company with over 100 theatre across the country including one in Gateway Park Drive near Cochrane's Dean campus.

The opening of the 10-screen complex at the intersection of University Avenue and Jim. Nadine Boulevard is expected to be completed in a Feb. 10 article in the Waterloo Chronicle. The Gateway Park complex will also include a restaurant this year.

The theatre is known for their discounts on Tuesday nights, when admission prices are cut from \$1.99 to \$1.29. Certain combinations

from the restaurants are also discounted on Tuesdays.

Richard Cole is a first year general arts and sciences student at Cochrane College who lives in Waterloo. His boyfriend, David Sullivan, is in the second year of the general business program. They are both "movie nuts" according to Cole and go to the Empire Theatre near the Dean campus at least once Friday a month.

Beckett says that they will "watch in the new theatre in Waterloo to save time and money that goes to gas." Neither of them are bothered by the fact that the theatre will be within 100 metres of the Park Street landfill. Cole insists "that it's a great date every now and then for students like us who are usually broke."

Donations for Haiti top \$1,795

"Not" students and faculty who made cash contributions to the Haiti Relief Fund at the Cochrane Students have raised just over \$1,795.

The money has been sent to the Canadian Red Cross

Now that donations have diminished and a significant amount has been raised the Cochrane Students will no longer be accepting donations.

Anyone who donated \$10 or more will receive a tax receipt from the Canadian Red Cross.

GRAPHIC DESIGN STUDENT HARD AT WORK



PHOTO BY COLAN WICKER

Final-year graphic design student, Ashley Kent, works on a recently assigned art which requires her to write a headline, figure out the space for the body copy and do the illustrations.

BAMBI ENJOYS THE NICE WEATHER

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Spring dresses are fun and colourful

By LISA EVOMER

Then on the rare of your first semester College graduating classes have their graduations and with several hours goes some dresses. So what should we be looking for?

Colleen Ramon owner of Caravan Closet located at 140 Hepburn St. in Cambridge, and we are moving away from the classic black cocktail dress, headless are moving up and rates are being tested.

"Fashion is kind of fun right now," said Ramon. "You even see it on the marketplace every one is moving away from the traditional spring and I think that has translated into our evening wear — people are less likely to follow the trends." Dresses which cost \$925 and under at Caravan Closet are colourful with a lot of lines, ruffles, and patterns, bright pink and purple.

In particular a lot of the girls are having things with tulle ruffles and a lot of detail," said Ramon. "We are seeing some skirts a lot of the girls are looking at recent trend headless dresses with ruffles and other details on them." Caravan Closet does private shopping parties, a great concept for a group of friends looking for the dresses. A party can be arranged for a time outside of regular business hours. The party can include personal wardrobe consulting and refreshments if desired.

Markus Collins owner of Bambi a women's clothing boutique located at 58 Quebec St. in downtown Guelph, always loves getting inquiries from Style.com and the Guelph scene for spring 2012.

Not everyone likes colourful and fun so for some who like a classic look Collins said, "There are few fitting dresses and also there are a lot of short and flowy dresses especially for spring. A lot of dresses are in pastels and come with ruffle details and soft prints." The dresses at



PHOTO BY LISA EVOMER

This is just one of many beautiful dresses at Caravan Closet

Black generally range from \$100 to \$150.

More a contemporary clothing store in Guelph, in a store, we a ladies dress come from Tiedie cover in the basement of 10 Gordon St., then shop has all the best styles but has a feature of the price. The added benefit of shopping at a contemporary boutique is that you get a unique and sometimes a new variety of the latest trends. More has a lot of brand names so for under \$100 you can get a headless, splash dress and a designer hand bag, such as a cute Chanel Louis Vuitton and Coach.

Another great money-saving option for students is a dress exchange party. For this you will have to gather a bunch of friends telling them to bring a couple of their favorite dresses that they don't mind passing up or have given up of wearing, and you can all exchange. Then you exchange them and everyone comes away with a few new dresses. You can go to a clothing accessory store like Le Chateau, Ardene, or Caravan for affordable earrings, belts and necklaces to update the dress if needed.

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Students auction themselves off for Haiti

By **ANTHONY MACINTOSH**

The bachelor/bachelorette auction sells its huge success on Feb. 10 as students gathered, laughed with friends and collectively bought off their buddies.

Bachelors and bachelorettes auctioned their stuff in a row, gavel-covered runway to the music of their choice. Some chose songs such as "Roll It Out: Friends, What Is Love, and Right Back."

About 70 students showed up to support and enjoy the auction, cheering and holding on to their. The auction made approximately \$300 which is being donated to Haiti. Winning bachelors received a few dollars each to help their buddies in bachelorettes on Feb. 11. Dylan Filibert, a second-year marketing student and resident adviser, was one of the bachelors at the auction and was pleased with the event.

"After a great night and an exciting night we accomplished our goals, which were to support a fun event and raise money for a good cause," she said.

The games were in the basement of Conestoga residence hall off a concrete table with all the bachelors and gavel on hand to keep the game. Conestoga's, such as singing, were performed by quite a few bachelors but they still remained cheap.

"It was surprised with the amount of people bidding. The bidding was very competitive and the crowd was definitely entertained," said Mary Hester, a second-year marketing student.

The competition in the crowd was intense with a lot of students getting involved and fighting over bids. There were 24 bachelor/bachelorettes and the bids ranged from \$1.50 to \$300.

"The highest bid was for Dan Woyte, one of our resident advisers, who ended up as a constant \$100," said Filibert.

The night came to an end in Mary Hester and Kristine Chruschak. Conestoga Students Inc. auctioned off the money on the runway led on the last bachelor to support the run away, a student as the pre-served firefighter education, and to create a program.

Right, Blaine Gagne was the last bachelor to step on stage and was purchased by two directors on the OS board.

Photos by Sarah Macintosh

Blaine, Brian MacFarlane was the last bachelor to step on stage and was purchased by two directors on the OS board.



Right, Dan Woyte, a resident adviser, received the highest bid at the auction — \$300. All the money raised went to Haiti relief efforts. This is just one of many fundraisers Conestoga students have held to raise money for the country.

Left: Resident adviser Dan Woyte interacted with the crowd as he bid the auction.



HAITI FACTS

- Haiti is located on the island of Hispaniola.
- The country is divided into 10 departments, not provinces or states.
- Port Au Prince, located in the Ouest department, has a population of 2,000,000 as of February 4, 2014.
- Haiti's president Michel Martelly said the death toll could surpass 300,000 after the devastating 7.0 magnitude quake on Jan. 12, according to The Washington Post.
- Donations have exceeded \$200 million.



Left: Woyte, a second-year marketing student, took his shot off for the left, Sarah Macintosh, who works at the front desk of the residence hall. Woyte was the highest bidder on Woyte, making a bid of \$300.

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Five-minute plan - agree to work on something for just five minutes. Usually you will continue because just starting may be the hardest part.

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